

HOUSE No. 2799

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter v. Kocot

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to improve the earned income credit for working families.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Peter v. Kocot

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

1st Hampshire

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION

SEE HOUSE, NO. 3036 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE EARNED INCOME CREDIT FOR WORKING FAMILIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1: Section 6 of Chapter 62 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby
2 amended by striking out, in line 184, the number “15” and inserting in place thereof the following number: -- 30.

3 SECTION 2: Section 6 of Chapter 62 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is further amended by inserting after the
4 first paragraph the following paragraph: --

5 The commissioner of revenue shall ensure the widest possible dissemination of information about the
6 availability of the federal and state earned income credits by partnering in outreach efforts with groups, including
7 but not limited to, utility companies, labor organizations, the chamber of commerce, municipalities, community-
8 based organizations, and taxpayer advocates. The commissioner shall provide all employers with a notice and a
9 poster that sets forth the rights to the credit allowed under the first paragraph of this section including the option to
10 receive the benefit throughout the year in each paycheck. Said poster shall be conspicuously placed in workplaces
11 and comply with the language requirement for employer unemployment notices under section 62A (d) (iii) of
12 chapter 151A.